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This periodic newsletter provides updates and information relevant to Business and Information Technology educators. It is published by Business & Information Technology, Career & Technical Education Team, Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

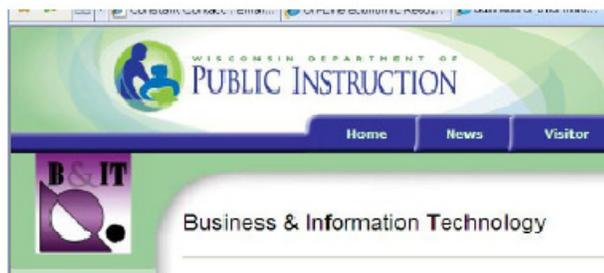
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B&IT Website Update

The DPI Business and Information Technology website is up-to-date and ready for your use! Professional development opportunities, resources, curriculum, etc. are at your fingertips!

Is this site missing key information? Be sure to let me know and we can get it added. This site is intended to be a usable resource for all!

[Click here to check it out!](http://www.dpi.wi.gov/bit) (www.dpi.wi.gov/bit)

New to B&IT Education?

If you have five or fewer years of teaching experience in Business & Information Technology and/or Marketing Education, then here is an opportunity for you!

Take the time to gain insight and knowledge into your chosen career! Network with peers and veteran B&IT teachers to discuss

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curriculum and standards implementation, new state initiatives, and ways to build your B&IT programs.

The Department of Public Instruction will be hosting this workshop. This workshop will be held adjacent to the Wisconsin Business Education Association Fall Convention in Stevens Point (held at the Holiday Inn and Convention Center). No registration fee required. Each attendee will receive lots of materials and meals for the day; along with hotel cost for Thursday evening (double room occupancy) to attend the WBEA Conference the following day. Dress is business casual.

[Tentative Agenda and Registration form can be found here.](#)

<http://www.dpi.wi.gov/bit/pd.html>



New Personal Financial Literacy Curriculum Guide

A new resource in the area of Personal Finance will be available soon! The Personal Financial Literacy Curriculum Guide will be delivered to schools in late September/early October. Many great resources and implementation steps on how to incorporate this important topic into PK-12 curriculum is included.

Watch for news regarding this tool!

Federal Reserve Resources



Here you can find links to instructional materials and tools that can increase your understanding of the Federal Reserve, economics and financial education. All of the Fed web sites, curriculum, newsletters, booklets and other resources are free.

A link to FED 101 can also be found here. FED 101 is an interactive website featuring an overview of the history and organization of the Federal Reserve, monetary policy and regulatory functions, as well as services provided. Games are included to make learning fun.

Check it out at: www.federalreserveeducation.org/fred/

Pumping Up PFM & Econ

Get Your Students Pumped Up on Personal Finance and Economics! A one-day conference on personal financial and economics education for Wisconsin's K-12 teachers, in conjunction with Wisconsin's Money Smart Week--This one-day conference will offer three concurrent sessions on teaching personal finance and economics in K-12 classrooms. Among those presenting are college professors with expertise in personal financial and economics

education, fellow K-12 teachers with years of experience teaching these disciplines, representatives from the DPI, as well as financial industry veterans. Fifteen presentations will be offered (covering all grade levels).

This conference is slated to be held in the Lambeau Field Atrium on October 14. Click here for more information:

www.economicswisconsin.org/LambeauMoneySmartEvent.htm

Money Talks: Speaking to Students about Everyday Econ and Personal Finance. This one-day conference will offer three breakout sessions (12 presentations total) to help bring you up to date on some of today's most important personal finance and economics issues. Gain valuable knowledge that will help you lead classroom discussions and answer your students' questions with confidence. Among those presenting are college professors with expertise in personal financial and economics education, fellow teachers with years of experience teaching these disciplines, and financial industry veterans.

This conference is slated to be held in the Madison Concourse Hotel on October 16. Click here for more information:

www.economicswisconsin.org/MoneySmartMadisonConf.htm

WBEA Convention is almost here!

Make time and arrangements to attend this year's premier professional development opportunity for Wisconsin's Business Educators!

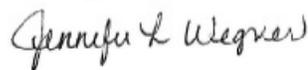
The 65th Annual Convention will be held in Stevens Point at the Holiday Inn and Conference Center from September 24-26.

Many terrific sectionals, roundtables, tours, and workshops are scheduled! Don't miss out!

[Click here for registration information! \(www.wboonline.org\)](http://www.wboonline.org)

Have information to share? Please forward it to me for inclusion in the next newsletter!

Sincerely,



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